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ing officials. He had not the slightest hesitation in saying that the board of agriculture was doing most excellent work. It was keeping in contact with all classes of the community; it was, fortunately, in sympathy with small cultivators as well as large cultivators. If the people interested themselves in the work of the board and benefited by its advice, he had no doubt that the colony would in a few years be in a very much better position than it was at present. With reference to the sugar-cane experiments, under the direction of Professor Harrison, the commissioner stated that the work carried on was not surpassed in any part of the world where the sugar-cane was cultivated.

#### UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NEWS.

It is said that the trustees of the Rush Medical College, the medical department of the University of Chicago, have collected \$1,000,000 for the institution. The newspapers and medical journals state, we hope correctly, that this assures a gift of \$6,000,000 to the school by Mr. John D. Rockefeller.

MR. H. O. PEABODY, of Boston, inventor of the rifle that bears his name, has bequeathed the greater part of his estate, which is valued at about \$1,000,000, for the establishment of a school for girls, to be situated at Westwood, Mass.

THE supreme court of Indiana has decided the Donaldson case in favor of the state. This gives the Indiana University about 200 acres of primitive forest land, abounding in sink holes, valleys and numerous dry and wet caves, including entrance to an underground stream which can be followed for more than a mile and which is the richest locality for blind fishes in North America.

LORD IVEAGH has given £34,000 to Dublin University for the erection of laboratories for the physical and natural sciences, on condition that an endowment of £100,000 is provided within three years.

PLANS are being urged in London for the establishment of a scientific and technological institute for advanced work. Subscriptions

are being secured, and the London County Council has been asked for an annual grant of \$150,000.

MRS. STERN and Mrs. Hardy, daughters of the late Sir George Jessel, formerly master of the rolls and vice-chancellor of the university of London, have offered to present to the university a sum of £2,000 for the establishment, in memory of their father, of a scholarship in law or higher mathematics, to be held at University College.

APPOINTMENTS at Brown University have been made as follows: Arthur H. Blanchard, assistant professor of civil engineering; Dr. Leonard W. Williams, assistant professor of biology; Dr. Michael X. Sullivan, instructor in chemical physiology; J. Ansell Brooks, instructor in drawing.

PROFESSOR WILLIAM CALDWELL, of Northwestern University, has been appointed professor of philosophy at McGill University.

DR. R. M. PEARCE, of Philadelphia, has been appointed director of the Bender Hygienic Laboratory and adjunct professor of pathology and bacteriology in Albany Medical College.

DR. RAYMOND H. POND has been elected professor of botany and pharmacognosy and director of the microscopical laboratories at the Northwestern University.

DR. JOHN C. HEMMETER, Ph.D. (Johns Hopkins University, 1890), M.D. (University of Maryland, 1885), graduate of the Royal Gymnasium, Wiesbaden, has been elected to the professorship of physiology in the University of Maryland, vice Professor Francis T. Miles, resigned. A new laboratory for physiology and pathology will be erected during the summer for which the sum of \$75,000 has been appropriated. Professor Hemmeter has also been elected a regent of the University of Maryland.

DR. A. F. DICKSON, now of University College, Cardiff, has been elected professor of anatomy at Dublin University.

DR. K. J. V. ORTON has been appointed professor of chemistry at the North Wales University College at Bangor.